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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Deputy Director  
for Science and Technology**

**SUBJECT : Possible Cuts in External Research  
Funds for FY-1969**

1. In accordance with the instructions passed to us at the FPBC meeting of 23 May, I have reviewed all the external research contracts proposed for FY-1969 by the production offices of this Directorate and the Directorate of Science and Technology. In reviewing the data, I noted several differences between the "Congressional" budget and the individual submissions by the offices. These are noted in the first and second columns of the attached table.

2. My suggestions for revising these contracts downward are presented in the last two columns of the attached table. The third column is supposed to represent a level of cuts we could live with and would yield a reduction of about [ ] below the "Congressional". The last column represents a very severe cut of [ ] and would almost certainly have serious effects in some fields.

3. I am requesting CIER and OBCI to review the impact of these cuts and to recommend redistribution of their offices' totals if a less damaging allocation is possible. A similar review by OSI and FMSAC would be welcomed. Then we would have a basis for presenting a coordinated paper to Col. White.

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